

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTONOMICALLY ZONING STORAGE  
AREA NETWORKS BASED ON POLICY REQUIREMENTS**

the specification of which is:

Attached hereto

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

**Priority Not Claimed**

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

(Application Serial No.) (Filing Date)

(Status - patented, pending, abandoned)

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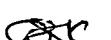
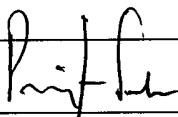
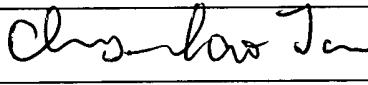
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